

Harrison Gray Otis House
(Society for the Preservation of N.E. Antiquities)
141 Cambridge Street
Boston
Suffolk County
Massachusetts

HABS No. MA-845

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Washington, D.C. 20240

ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Massachusetts	COUNTY Suffolk	TOWN OR VICINITY Boston
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Harrison Gray Otis House (First)		HABS NO. MA-845
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 141 Cambridge Street		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1795-96	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Charles Bulfinch	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The noted lawyer-politician Harrison Gray Otis acquired the lot for this town house in 1793.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Federal		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Five-bay wide, three stories high.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Museum		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) National Register of Historic Places Nomination Form, 1970 (with extensive bibliography).		
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